

SOA Miami Beach Urban Studios (SOA MBUS) + Washington Gallery **FALL 2023**

MISSION

The Miami Beach Urban Studios serves its students in the FIU School of Architecture, in the College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts more broadly, and the diverse population of South Florida. We are committed to high-quality teaching, state-of-the-art research and creative activity, and collaborative engagement with our local and global communities.

VISION

To support the FIU School of Architecture, and programs in the College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts more broadly, to achieve exceptional student-centered learning and upward economic mobility, produce meaningful research and creative activities, and lead transformative innovations locally and globally, resulting in recognition as a Top-50 public university.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Students

XX Students

XX Undergraduate	XX% Asian*
XX Graduate	XX% Black/African-American*
	XX% Hispanic/Latino*
	XX% Nonresident Alien*
	XX% Two or More Races*
	XX% White*

Faculty

XX Faculty

XX Full-time	XX% Asian*
XX Adjunct	XX% Black/African-American*
	XX% Hispanic/Latino*
	XX% Nonresident Alien*
	XX% Two or More Races*
	XX% White*

*self-reported

RECOGNITION

- + Winner of an FIU Tech Fee Grant.
- + Winner of a Knight Foundation Award for the 3D printers.
- + Winner of a Knight Foundation Award for opera "una marea crescente" by Orlando Garcia.
- + Exhibitions and talks by artists in the Whitney Biennial.
- + 3D printed musical instruments for Bjork.
- + MB Magazine featured student work on historic preservation and sea level rise.
- + Jack Dorsey, Founder of Twitter, and the White House introduced Square at SOA MBUS.
- + "Borboleta" by Eric Goldemberg in collaboration MONAD Studio and "Time, Space, Existence" by Elisa Silva were created at SOA MBUS and exhibited at the Venice Biennale.
- + TOM Global Fellowship for leading the FIU TOM was awarded to Sophia Neves.
- + "Refusenik: Photography by Gary Monroe" community exhibited earned mention in The New York Times.

PROGRAMS

- Design studio classes
- 3D printing
- Summer camps for K12 students (Growlight)
- Exhibitions
- In-person and virtual workshops
- Mentoring programs (SOA MBUS LEADS)
- Conferences
- Symposia
- Concerts
- Music lessons
- Art talks
- Rehearsals

SCHOLARSHIP & CREATIVE ACTIVITY

- + Two COVID grants from the City of Miami Beach for \$130,000.
- + 10,747 face shields 3D printed during COVID for Baptist Health.
- + award-winning designs by Nick Gelpi.
- + Research in collaboration with the City of Miami Beach on Historic Preservation and Sea Level Rise.
- + 3D printed mangrove for Superbowl.
- + Entrepreneurial collaboration and patent development with physical therapist David Barouche.
- + Worked with Oolite artists on 3D printing.
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HIGHLIGHTS

Dynamic location on World-famous Lincoln Road.
60+ 3D printers and laser cutting facilities.
Home of the FIU Tikkun Lam Makers Community.
Home of the Terrence Riley and Nicholas Patricios Libraries, including the Paul L. Cejas library of auction house art catalogues.
Community-engaged program as a Cultural Anchor for the City of Miami Beach.
Leadership Advisory Board of industry professionals.
SOA MBUS LEADS mentorship program with over 100 students and alumni.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- + Growlight Breakthrough Summer Camp for 3D Printing, Urban Design and Accessibility.
- + TOM FIU/Miami Dade Public Schools/Department of Physical
- + Concerts by the Amernet String Quartet.
- + Monthly Culture Crawl Participant.
- + SOA MBUS Art Talks.
- + Lincoln Road Walking Tour.
- + New Music Miami Festival ISCM.
- + Vivid Viola Concert Series.
- + Miami-Dade county student museum tours.
- + Open Mic with Robert Zuckerman.
- + Holocaust and Genocide Awareness week programming.
- "Zen and the Art of..." series in partnership with the Betsy Hotel.
- + Organized the Arts@FIU Day for MDCPS school teachers in the arts.
- + Former home to the Sea Level Solutions Center.
- + Former home to the Miami Urban Futures Initiative headed by Richard Florida.